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MARINE CORPS BASES JAPAN/III MEF POLICY MEMORANDUM 1-98 CH 1

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: LIBERTY CAMPAIGN PLAN

Encl: (1) New page insert to MCBJ/III MEF Policy Memorandum
1-98

1. Situation. To transmit new page insert to the basic policy memorandum.

2. Mission. To notify all on distribution list of the policy changes to the basic policy memorandum of 30 Dec 98.

3. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. Enclosure (1) is the guide for specific changes and a summary of these changes is as follows:

(a) Clarifies alcohol sale for E-5 and below members of MCBJ/III MEF who live in the BEQs.

b. Subordinate Element Missions. Comply with the intent of enclosure (1).

c. Coordinating Instructions. Submit all recommendations concerning this change, and the basic memorandum to the Commanding General, MCBJ/III MEF via appropriate chain of command.

4. Administration and Logistics. Significant changes in the revised pages for this change are denoted by an asterisk (*) symbol.

5. Command and Signal

a. Signal. This policy memorandum is effective date signed.


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4. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

a. The legal drinking age for all members assigned to MCBJ/III MEF is 21 years of age regardless of location or local national law. E-3s and below who live in the BEQs are limited to six (6) 12oz. beers or one (1) bottle of wine per occupant of legal age. NCOs are allowed to keep up to twelve (12) 12oz. beers or two (2) bottles of wine per NCO in their rooms. Hard liquor is not authorized in the BEQs.

* b. Alcohol sales in package stores and AFFES shoppettes will be limited for E-5 and below members of MCBJ/III MEF who live in the BEQs. Daily sales are to be limited to six (6) 12oz. beers or one (1) bottle of wine per day for E-3 and below. NCOs are limited to the purchase of twelve (12) 12oz. beers or (2) bottles of wine. The purchase of hard liquor and wine is authorized for NCO/POs (E-5/E-4) 21 years of age and above. Hard liquor is not authorized in the BEQs.

c. The Sergeants Major of III MEF and MCB, Camp Smedley D. Butler are the points of contact concerning any questions or background information needed for the staffing of these measures.

d. Conduct briefings down to the NCC level to ensure that everyone understands the reason and purpose for each change and the commander's intent concerning this liberty campaign plan.

e. Coordinate all appropriate measures and share our proposals with our sister services on Okinawa and mainland Japan.

f. Marines and Sailors are in a duty status during typhoons. The consumption of alcohol by all III MEF and MCBJ personnel is prohibited during typhoon condition One, One Caution, One Emergency, One Recovery, and Storm Watch. This applies to personnel in government housing and in off-base residences as well as bachelor members in BOQs/BEQs. Only when normal liberty is sounded by the member's command is alcohol consumption authorized.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Command relationships. The CG, MCBJ/IIIMEF requires the wholehearted commitment and support of all members of the chain of command down to and including the individual Marine and sailor.